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PSYCHOLOGICAL STRATEGY BOARD  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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General Walter Bedell Smith  
Director of Central Intelligence  
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Smith:

This letter is to confirm our oral discussion with regard to  
creating a standby alert system for giving notification with regard  
to the implementation of either one of PSB approved plans [redacted]

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The departments and agencies concerned have now almost completed  
their operational planning pursuant to these plans and the Korean  
armistice negotiations are moving at a tempo to indicate the probability  
of their conclusion or termination within the short-term future.

PSB has the responsibility of notifying the appropriate departments  
and agencies when to begin implementing either one of the two plans in  
question. In turn, it is our understanding that the President will make  
the decision with regard to a definitive termination of the Korean  
armistice negotiations.

In order to discharge PSB's responsibility for quickly informing all  
interested departments and agencies with regard to the eventuality of these  
contingencies, the following persons have been designated to act as an  
alert network:

The White House - Mr. Roger Tubby  
The Department of State - Mr. Joseph Phillips  
The Department of Defense - Brig. Gen. John Magruder  
The Central Intelligence Agency - [redacted]  
The Joint Chiefs of Staff - Lt. Col. Tobias Philbin

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Within the PSB staff  the Office of Coordination will act as the point of contact.

Upon PSB notification to the above persons it will, of course, be expected that they will see to it that the appropriate plan is fully implemented by the departments and agencies.

Sincerely yours,

Director

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